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PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES REGION 53 (TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO) 700 MHZ PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE TO HOLD MEETINGS IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2011

The Region 53 (Texas-San Antonio)¹ Public Safety Regional Planning Committees (RPCs) will hold two planning meetings.

- Thursday, November 3, 2011, the 700 MHz Public Safety RPC will convene beginning at 1:30 p.m. at the Coastal Bend Council of Governments, 2910 Leopard Street, Corpus Christi, Texas. A block of hotel rooms have been reserved under "Region 53" and are available at \$88 per night, the Omni Bayfront Hotel 900 N. Shoreline Drive, telephone (361) 880-6738, and the Omni Marina Hotel at 707 N. Shoreline Drive, (361) 887-1600. To obtain the negotiated rate reservations should be made no later than Friday, October 28th.
- Thursday, December 8, 2011, the 700 MHz Public Safety RPC will convene beginning at 1:30 p.m. at the Alamo Area Council of Governments, 8700 Tesoro, San Antonio, Texas. A block of hotel rooms have been reserved under "Region 53" and are available at \$88 per night at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 1111 NE Loop 410, San Antonio, Texas (877) 207-1412.

The preliminary agenda for both meetings include:

- Call to order and welcome to all present and conference bridge attendees
- County roll call and teleconference self-introductions
- Approval of agenda
- Review and approve previous meeting minutes
- Review and discussion of Subcommittee recommendations
- Status Report on the draft Region 53 Plan
- Old Business
- New Business
- Opportunity for public comment
- Adjourn

If you are unable to attend the meetings, you may participate via the conference bridge WebEx. Additional information on this and future meetings, WebEx instructions, and planning documents are available on the NPSTC NIIX website at www.niix.org under "Your Communities" go to "Texas Region"

¹ The Region 53 (Texas-San Antonio) 700 MHz regional planning area consists of the counties of Aransas, Atascosa, Bandera, Bee, Bexar, Brooks, Calhoun, Cameron, Comal, Dewitt, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, Frio, Gillespie, Goliad, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Hidalgo, Jackson, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kenedy, Kerr, Kendall, Kinney, Kleberg, LaSalle, Lavaca, Live Oak, Maverick, McMullen, Medina, Nueces, Real, Refugio, San Patricio, Starr, Uvalde, Val Verde, Victoria, Webb, Willacy, Wilson, Zapata, and Zavala.

53 700 Planning Committee."

The Region 53 700 MHz Public Safety RPC meeting is open to the public. All eligible public safety providers in Region 53 may utilize these frequencies. It is essential that eligible public safety agencies in all areas of government, including state, municipality, county, and Native American Tribal be represented in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate, and represent their agency's needs.

All interested parties wishing to participate in planning for the use of public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz band within Region 53 should plan to attend. For further information, please contact:

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